

for making the other payments to the debtor employee. The written notice will state that the employee owes a debt, the amount of the debt, and that the provisions of this section have been fully complied with. However, the Corporation must submit a properly certified claim under this paragraph (a)(4) to the agency responsible for making the payments before the collection can be made.

(5) *Separated employee.* If the employee is already separated and all payments due from his or her former paying agency have been paid, the Corporation may request, unless otherwise prohibited, that money due and payable to the employee from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (5 CFR part 831, subpart R, or 5 CFR part 845, subpart D) or other similar funds, be administratively offset to collect the debt.

(6) *Employee transfer.* When an employee transfers from one paying agency to another paying agency, the Corporation will not repeat the due process procedures described in 5 U.S.C. 5514 and this subpart to resume the collection. The Corporation will submit a properly certified claim to the new paying agency and will subsequently review the debt to make sure the collection is resumed by the new paying agency.

(b) *Responsibility of the Corporation as the paying agency.* (1) *Complete claim.* When the Corporation receives a certified claim from a creditor agency (under the creditor agency's regulations adopted under 5 U.S.C. 5514 and 5 CFR part 550, subpart K), deductions should be scheduled to begin within three officially established pay intervals. Before deductions can begin, the employee will receive a written notice from the Corporation including:

- (i) A statement that the Corporation has received a certified debt claim from the creditor agency;
- (ii) The amount of the debt claim;
- (iii) The date salary offset deductions will begin; and
- (iv) The amount of such deductions.

(2) *Incomplete claim.* When the Corporation receives an incomplete certification of debt from a creditor agency, the Corporation will return the debt claim with a notice that the creditor

agency must comply with the procedures required under 5 U.S.C. 5514 and 5 CFR part 550, subpart K, and must properly certify a debt claim to the Corporation before the Corporation will take action to collect from the employee's current pay account.

(3) *Review.* The Corporation is not authorized to review the merits of the creditor agency's determination with respect to the amount or validity of the debt certified by the creditor agency.

(4) Employees who transfer from the Corporation to another paying agency. If, after the creditor agency has submitted the debt claim to the Corporation, the employee transfers from the Corporation to a different paying agency before the debt is collected in full, the Corporation will certify the total amount collected on the debt and notify the employee and the creditor agency in writing. The notification to the creditor agency will include information on the employee's transfer.

§ 2506.24 Under what conditions will the Corporation make a refund of amounts collected by salary offset?

If the Corporation is the creditor agency, it will promptly refund any amount deducted under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 5514, when:

(a) The debt is waived or all or part of the funds deducted are otherwise found not to be owed (unless expressly prohibited by statute or regulation); or

(b) An administrative or judicial order directs the Corporation to make a refund.

(c) Unless required or permitted by law or contract, refunds under this section will not bear interest.

§ 2506.25 Will the collection of a claim by salary offset act as a waiver of my rights to dispute the claimed debt?

Your involuntary payment of all or any portion of a debt being collected under this subpart will not be construed as a waiver of any rights which you may have under 5 U.S.C. 5514 or any other provisions of a written contract or law, unless there are statutory or contractual provisions to the contrary.